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In re Patent Application of:
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For: Modification of Bioassays for Detection of
Antigens Characteristic of Bacteria that are
Causative of Ear and Respiratory Infections to
Eliminate False Positive Results Caused by
Nasopharyngeal Colonization of Children

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Examiner Devi:

In response to the Final Office Action, mailed August 27, 2007, in the above-identified application, Applicants submit the following remarks and amendments. The Applicants have submitted a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) concurrently herewith. No extension fee is believed to be due in connection with this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fee, including the RCE fee, to Deposit Account Number **06-1448, Reference ISA-102.01.**